

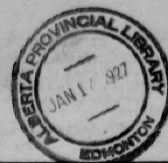
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## Elks' Valentine Dance

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The Sale is planned for the purpose of cleaning up

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## Elks New Year Dance Proves Great Success

Bedlam was let loose on New Year's eve when the members of the Mirror Elks were hosts to the community at a big dance. That it would be good every person took it for granted, but it far exceeded the fondest expectations.

The first departure from the old order of things was the early congregating of the crowd, and sharp at 9 o'clock dancing started, and at 10 o'clock more than 400 were in the hall. The sport of the evening was the Mistletoe dance, and it is said that one of our most esteemed bachelors refused to collect his due when special opportunity presented itself with one of our worthy matrons, while one of the hen pecks sure rang the bell when he had the chance.

The dance throughout was a most orderly, especially in view of it being the Scotchmen's night.

### Wedding Bells

**JEWELL—PEMBERTON**  
A quiet wedding took place on Monday at the home of the bride's father, C. W. Pemberton, when his daughter, Ella, became the bride of Mr. Alton Jewell, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Jewell. The young couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McLeod and the bride looked charming in a gown of white satin and lace. After a sumptuous wedding breakfast the happy couple left on the 2:15 train for Edmonton and points west. They will reside on their return on the farm at the lake.

Miss N. Oldring is visiting in Edmonton.

Mrs. L. Norton has returned home from Calgary.

Miss Blinn Moller left last week for Edmonton where she will reside in future.

Wanted—Housework, by a good reliable girl; either private or boarding house. Phone Mrs. O'Neil, Big Valley.

A dance will be held at Hickling School on Friday, January 21st. Admission \$1.00 a couple.

The next meeting of the W. A. will be held at the home of Mrs. R. Cruickshanks on Jan. 20th at 2:30. Election of officers.

A vestry meeting of St. Monica's church will be held Sunday at the close of the afternoon service.

Don't miss the series of whist drives in the Library Building starting Friday, Feb. 14th at 8:30 p.m. Worth while prizes each night and \$5.00 worth of merchandise from local stores for each lady and gent with the highest aggregate score at the finish. Other dates Jan. 20th, 27th, Feb. 4th and 11th.

About 30 friends of Mr. and Mrs. C. McCormack gathered at their home on Monday evening as a surprise in honor of their 10th anniversary. "500" was played, the prizes being won by Messrs. McCormack and Flewelling and Mesdames Somers and Hardy. Following this Mr. Flewelling, on behalf of the friends, presented them with a lovely pie server, which was most suitably responded to by Mr. McCormack.

Subscribe Now for the Mail

Mr. and Mrs. E. McNair, of Shoal Lake, Man., were guests of his brothers last week.

Miss Grace Tulloch is visiting friends in Edmonton.

Mr. L. E. Humphrey was elected trustee for Lake Bend school. Mr. Webb was elected secretary in place of D. Jewell, resigned. It was decided to build an addition to the school.

Born—On Thursday, January 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Cornuck, a daughter.

Please note the change in Dr. Snell's advt., from Wednesday to Friday, January 21st.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Stevenson were visitors in Stettler last week.

## Young Wife Afraid To Eat Anything

"I was afraid to eat because I always had stomach trouble afterwards. Since taking Adlerika I can eat and feel fine." Signed Mrs. A. Howard. ONE spoonful Adlerika removes GAS and often brings surprising relief to the stomach. Stops that full, bloated feeling. Removes old waste matter from intestines which you never thought was in your system. Excellent for obstinate constipation. Devereaux Drug Co.

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Washing Soda.....2 1/2 lb 15c  
Prunes 40-50's per lb.....15c  
Spinach, 2 1/2 tin.....25c  
FREE Jelly Powder with each purchase of McLaren's Baking Powder, with money-back guarantee.

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Twelve of the latest styles to choose from. We lead; others follow.

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Fruit Tobacco Candy

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JEAN LEBEL, WINNER IN 1925

ARTHUR BEAUVIS, A TYPICAL DRIVER, QUEBEC

EMIL ST. GODDARD, A WINNER, WITH YUKON

The fifth Eastern International Dog-Sled Derby will be run in Quebec, a city now world famous for its winter sports. The dates set for this outstanding event of the winter season are February 21, 22, and 23. The race is run in laps of about 40 miles a day, made \$2,000, but the numbers, or 120 miles is the usual total drivers, are invariably more proud mileage. Many thousands of men, women and children view these races, and it is interesting to see how the huskies make supreme efforts to be lead team. The drivers accord the dogs every possible comfort and attention, and no cruelty to the dogs is allowed. Inexpensive dogs must be taken on the race and drawn back to the finish line.

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Such well-known and famous mushers as Emil St. Goddard, Ontario Paper Co., "Shorty" Kusaick, driver for H. L. Sutton, of Chicago, Joe Dupuis, Frank Dupuis, V. Livigne, H. Currie, Walter Channing of Boston, and P. J. Molloy, of Berlin, N.H., are numbered among those who will fight to a finish for the championship.

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## Canada and Japan

Dr. H. M. Tory, president of the University of Alberta and chairman of the National Research Council of Canada, represented Canada at the scientific conference of all countries having an outlet on the Pacific, which was held a few months ago in Japan, and in a recent address before the Canadian Club at Saskatoon he gave some of his impressions of Japan and its people. Dr. Tory's highly entertaining and instructive address contained much food for thought on the part of Canadians.

In extent of area, Dr. Tory pointed out, Japan is about the size of the British Isles and Scotland, and of that area only about twenty per cent. is capable of cultivation. Nevertheless, the islands of Japan are inhabited by almost fifty millions of people. Therefore, Japan, like the British Isles, must provide for the sustenance of its people by the importation of enormous quantities of foodstuffs, and for their employment in other ways than agriculture, Japan has as a consequence become a highly industrialized nation.

Japan is frequently referred to as the Great Britain of the Pacific, and the description is an apt one. Not only is there an analogy as noted in the preceding paragraph, but Japan, like Britain, has developed a large and growing merchant marine and is offering effective competition in the markets of Pacific countries. In another respect Japan is adopting British methods. It is importing raw materials from other lands, converting them into articles of manufacture, and then reexporting the finished product even in the very countries from which the raw materials were imported.

For example, Japan is importing raw cotton from the United States, manufacturing it, and selling the manufactured articles in the United States in competition with American and British manufacturers after paying heavy tariff duties on the imported goods.

In the first six months of last year Japan imported forty million more bushels of wheat than in the corresponding period of the previous year. Their mills are being erected to grind this wheat into flour, not only to supply the home demand, but for export.

Japan, said Dr. Tory, is just as keenly interested in promoting its export trade, and that is most concerned about an adverse balance of trade, as Canada is in respect to this Dominion. The Japanese realize that they must import large quantities of food, and they are determined to pay for those imports through the sale of the products of their industries. This is a situation in which Canada and the world must take cognizance.

No people stand higher in the estimation and confidence of the people of Japan than do those of the British Empire. The English language is taught in all the schools, and realizing that English is, and to an ever increasing extent will be, the language of commerce, Japan is in every way encouraging its people to learn it so that within a generation or two every educated person in Japan will be a command of the language. Every year, too, the brightest students from Japanese universities are sent all over the world to learn every thing in the arts and sciences that the best thought and the latest invention has to offer.

Canada has been suddenly before it for the development of trade and commerce with Japan on a truly gigantic scale. The Dominion has for sale an abundance of many of the things which Japan lacks and must buy. As a British people there is a friendly feeling for us. The two countries face one another across the Pacific with lines of communication already established. One thing remains for the people of Canada to learn and to do if all other things be to be taken of the opportunities awaiting it in Japan and the Orient as a whole.

Canada is a young, large, and undeveloped country. Japan is an old land with a history under one ruling dynasty dating back to hundreds of years before Christ. The family of the present Emperor has ruled over Japan in an unbroken line for 2,500 years. Japan is a small country, densely populated. Fully developed and highly industrialized, its people are intensely patriotic, of a high order of intelligence, and very proud. To the extent that Canadians are obsessed with the Western bias that the Japanese are an inferior people, they will fall in building bridges in Japan. Canadians will have to do business with them as with equals. It will not do to offer to Japan our third rate or even second rate products, and to regard that country as a dumping ground for what cannot be sold elsewhere. Japan will not be so changed. It must be given the best we have to offer.

If Canadians generally come to appreciate this, and accordingly, there is hardly any limit that can be placed on the future trade between the two countries—a trade in which Western Canada will reap a rich return.

### Saskatchewan Turkeys

Thousands of diseased turkeys and chickens left Saskatchewan for the eastern provinces and the United States to supply the Christmas needs. The shipments were made mostly out of Regina and Saskatoon, and were consigned to New York, Chicago, Boston, Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton and other ports.

Cakes, baked by London bakers with special messages in the icing, are frequently used to patch up lovers' quarrels. Tons of these cakes are sent each year to South Africa, Australia, Singapore, and other parts of the world.

"I am at the end of my rope," remarked the lounge lizard, in a chance acquaintance at the Palace. "Oh, to hear that!" was the response. "Now throw away the butt and smoke a good one."

Fortune-teller—"I see a tall, stout woman between you and your husband," she follows him about, wherever he goes."

Client—"I'm sorry for her, then—she's a posthumus!"

Minard's Liniment for chapped hands.  
Because a boy is lunny is no sign his mother does not feel him enough.

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To avoid imitations, always look for the signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher*. *Proven directions on each package.* Physicians everywhere recommend it.

## Half Million Still Needed

Parliament Asked for Further Sum for Home Bank Relief

Canada's Parliament is to be asked to vote a further sum of half a million dollars for the relief of Home Bank depositors. Three million dollars have already been voted and disbursed in payments to all depositors for sums under \$50 and to a considerable number having on deposit over \$50 and who made advantage that they were in need.

All the money voted by Parliament has now been expended and there are still claims totalling half a million dollars, which the judges of the exchequer court, who heard the claims last September, will ask Parliament to vote the money. No new claims, however, will be received as the time has now expired.

Their lawyers are prepared to make a strong recommendation to the Dominion Government in connection with these claims and will ask Parliament to vote the money. No new claims, however, will be received as the time has now expired.

## Painful Sprains, Bruises, Restored By Nervine

There is something new in Nervine that has made it famous for nearly fifty years past. It sinks in deeply, it penetrates quickly. It takes away the pain from a sprain and brings grateful relief to bruised, aching muscles. If your joints are stiff and you are suffering from Rheumatism or Lumbago, if Neuritis bothers you now and then, the true old "Nervine" will work wonders, whether the pain is internal or external. Get a large 25-cent bottle from the nearest druggist.

## Manitoba's Population

Substantial Gain is Shown Over the Census of 1921.  
The population of Manitoba is shown at 639,056 in the preliminary statement of the last census taken, as of June 1st, 1926, an increase of 28,538 over 1921, and \$5,194 over 1916. There are 508,861 rural and 278,195 urban in habitants. The former has increased by 12,351, and the latter by 16,529 since 1921. Winnipeg's population, placed at 191,595, shows an increase of 12,541 for the five years; Brandon, at 16,415, an increase of 1,466 and St. Boniface, at 11,157, an increase of 1,366.

## EFFICIENCY IMPAIRED

Why Many Men and Women Are Badly Handicapped

When you are run down in health that it impairs the efficiency of your work as well as your power to enjoy your leisure hours, or obtain rest, it is time you looked to the cause. If you do not, a serious breakdown is almost sure to result sooner or later. In reality all cases of this condition, which is a defective red corpuscles, are due to poor blood—blood that is deficient in red corpuscles. When the blood is thin and weak your whole system suffers. You lose appetite, have no energy, your nerves tremble and you feel restless.

What you need is help to build up your blood. You should be able to do this at once to make your blood rich and red by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills minutely all the organs of the body to healthy activity, and so the system builds itself up and strength. If you are weak or out of sorts begin taking new strength to day by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. You can get these pills from your druggist or by mail at 50 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## New Electric Locomotive

Invention of Consulting Engineer Successfully Tested in England

Successful tests with a new electric locomotive are announced by the Westminster Gazette, London, which the paper asserts furnishes electric traction of the entire railway system of the country.

It is the invention of Captain Will Ham Durrant, a consulting engineer. It dispenses with the need of substations along the route and utilizes a current of only 200-250 volts, thus eliminating the fire risk danger. This voltage suffices for the normal speed on the level and extra power is derived for gradients is obtained from storage batteries carried on the train.

Sneezing?—Use Minard's Liniment.

To Determine Pure Lichen. Moistens the fingers with water and apply to the surface of them. If pure the moisture will be visible on the reverse side almost immediately, but if not pure the moisture will not be absorbed so easily.

The following sign appeared recently on a golf course in Scotland: "Members will refrain from picking up long balls until they have stopped rolling."



## Treat Colds Externally

For sore throat, bronchitis or deep chest cold, rub Vicks VapoRub freely over throat and chest and cover with warm flannel.

Vicks acts in two ways—both direct: absorbed like a liniment and inhaled as a vapor. A quick relief for the cold trouble of all the family.

**VICKS VAPORUB**  
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## Winter Jars in North Hard

For Traders Encounter Difficulties on Trail to Edmonton

The trials and tribulations of winter travel on the northern trails were recounted by a party of far traders who fought their way through blizzards, snowdrifts and bitter cold, to Edmonton.

Joe Larcombe, a northern pioneer, was the leader of the group which braved four other trips.

Each had his own background of misadventure, which forced him to "hit the trail" toward civilization at this time of the season and all pooled their resources and banded together for the trip.

The party had five horse-drawn sleighs and came down from the Arctic regions by way of the Athabasca River. In places the ice was piled from 15 to 20 feet high and the little caravan was forced to travel between huge ice cliffs and other hazards.

At other places the river was covered with a thin sheet of ice which broke as soon as the horses put foot on it. Several times the animals went through but were rescued. To negotiate the most dangerous stretches of the river, the trappers unharassed the horses and pushed the sleighs to safety. Constantly two members of the party preceded the sleigh fleet, breaking test holes to stop the safest route.

The men faced extreme hardships on their long trek. The necessary at times skidded to 20 and 30 below zero. During one night's halt, the caravan was caught in a howling blizzard and the men were heavy snow drifts and had to be sheltered out. The men were pretty well worn out when they reached Edmonton.

## German Author Indignant

Frau Huch Was Annoyed at Being Taken for Man

Ricardo Huch, probably the best known German woman author, was so upset at being mistaken for a man that she at first declined to go among the intellectuals of the recently founded German Academy of Letters. Frau Huch was only elected to membership, but the secretariat advising her of the honor addressed the letter to "Herr R. Huch."

Frau Huch, who is 62, wrote a caustic reply, in which she said she was hardly worthy of the honor so long as persons in the academy didn't even know her sex. The error was finally corrected and Frau Huch took her place as the second woman member of the academy. Clara Viebig is the only other woman thus far elected.

## Excellent for Grouchy Children.

When a child is suffering with croup it is a good plan to use Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. It reduces the inflammation and loosens the phlegm giving speedy relief to the little sufferer. It is equally reliable for sore throat and chest, croup, rheumatic pains, cuts, bruises and sprains. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil is regarded by many thousands as an indispensable of the family medicine chest.

"I once proposed to a girl in a conservatory."  
"With what result?"  
"Well a lot of expensive plants were nipped by the frost."

A peasant remembers that the lily belongs to the onion family; an optimist that the onion belongs to the lily family.

## Stuffed Up?

Clear your head with Minard's Warm Oil Liniment and Inhale.

**MINARD'S "KING OF PAIN" LINIMENT**

## May Carry Out Suggestion

Government Likely to Test Conditions For Navigation of Hudson Strait

The Ottawa correspondent of a Winnipeg newspaper says: "Reports are current that the Government is likely to adopt the suggestion often made in the House of Commons in the last two years and send one of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine boats into Hudson's Bay next summer."

The proposal is to test out the length of time it is open. It is also proposed to find out just what kind of weather they get in Hudson's Bay.

"Frederick Palmer, the eminent British engineer, who is going to Port Nelson next summer to investigate and report on all conditions, may go in by boat instead of up the route of the railway, as his investigations have primarily to do with harbor works and feasibility of developing a harbor properly. Whether the Government has any plan for the question of whether Churchill would make a better terminus than Port Nelson cannot be definitely learned but it is believed here it will carefully investigate both ports."

## Husband and Wife Are Both Benefitted

Mr. F. Spilay Speaks Highly of Dodd's Kidney Pills

Saskatchewan Man Who Suffered From Kidney Trouble Tells of the Relief He sought and Found.

Springdale, Sask. (Special).—"Both my wife and myself have suffered with strained kidneys, the pain being so bad at times that it was impossible to do our work. After consulting with a doctor and making up my mind to try Dodd's Kidney Pills, we used them for a few days and found ready relief from this trouble."

"This statement comes from Mr. F. M. Spilay, Box 2, Springdale, Sask. Dodd's Kidney Pills are purely and simply a kidney remedy. They act directly on the kidneys, strengthening them and putting them in condition to do their full work of straining the impurities out of the blood. Dodd's Kidney Pills have restored me and my wife to our normal health and vigor. Give them a trial at once."

The road to good health lies through the kidneys, so keep them in good condition with Dodd's Kidney Pills.

## Canadian Legation in Washington

It is expected that the Canadian Legation will open in Washington, D.C. sometime in February. Hon. Vincent Massey, who has been appointed to represent Canada in the American capital, is completing the arrangements in connection with the opening of the legation.

Every careful and observant mother knows that her child suffers from worms. She also knows that if some remedy be not speedily applied much harm will be done to the infant. An excellent preparation for this purpose is Miller's Worm Powders. They drive worms from the system and set up stimulating and soothing effects, so that the child's progress thereafter is painless and satisfactory.

## Warfare Without Fighting

Chinese Say the Most Brilliant Victories Are Won Without Fighting

"The first principle of warfare, as laid down in the Chinese classics, is that the most brilliant victories are those won without fighting. Judged by this standard the Chinese are the greatest soldiers the world has ever seen."

In a recent battle between two armies totalling more than half a million men, with continuous machine gun fire and artillery barrage, only fifty or sixty killed were counted on the two sides.

"It is difficult to believe this unless you realize that they shoot, not to hit anything, but to make a noise. And, of course, the faster they fire, the more noise there is. The noise is relied on for two effects:

1. To frighten the enemy.  
2. To confuse the fliers.—Philip F. Le Fèvre in "The Outlook."

Drives Asthma Before It. The modern of vapor from Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy gives relief to the sufferer. It eradicates the cause. Our experience with the relief-bringing remedy shows how actual and genuine is the success. It is the result of long study and experiment and was not submitted to the public until its makers knew it would do its work well.

## Russian Girls Have Vocation

It is a characteristic of modern Russia that every woman and girl seems to desire to do some kind of useful work, and may enlist as a soldier if she desires, said Paula Steiner, woman journalist, lecturing in the women's Lyceum Club, Berlin, on her repeated visits to Russia.

About all you have to do to make a boy hate any particular kind of food is to tell him it is healthy!

## RED RASH ON FACE AND NECK

Formed Eruptions. Suffered Much at Night. Cuticura Talcum.

"I was troubled with a rash that broke out on my face and neck. It was very red, and the irritation caused me to scratch it in my sleep. After scratching, little more eruptions formed. I suffered much at night, and my sleep was broken."

"I looked hopeless until I began using Cuticura Soap and Ointment. After a few days the eruptions started to heal, and after using five boxes of Cuticura I was healed." (Signed) G. Harding, 2233 Pierian St., Montreal, Que.

Daily use of Cuticura Soap, with touches of Cuticura Ointment now and then, keeps the skin fresh, smooth and clear. Cuticura Talcum also is ideal for the skin.

Sample Box Free by Mail. Address: Canadian Cuticura Sales Co., Montreal, Que. Cuticura Shaving Stick 25c.

## Plan To Investigate Venus

New Ray Will Assist Astronomers to Study Earth's Twin Planet

An attack on the heretofore impenetrable clouds of Venus, the earth's twin, is to be made from Yerkes Observatory with an infrared ray photographic apparatus.

The dense vapor masses surrounding the planet have made it impossible to penetrate to the actual surface of Venus, but now the astronomers of the University of Chicago, at Williams Bay, Wisconsin, is optimistic over chances of success with the infrared filter which last summer yielded some excellent views of Mars.

While these clouds have baffled scientists, Prof. B. B. Nichols, director of the observatory, focuses such importance to them in connection with any theory of the possibility of life on the planet.

Life is much more likely to exist on Venus than on Mars, in Professor Frazer's opinion. "Venus is near the sun," he continued, "and if it were not for the heavy clouds, the heat would be unbearable."

Powerful Medicine.—The healing properties of the essential oils are concentrated in every bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, forming one of the most powerful liniments ever offered to the use of man. Many can testify as to its power in alleviating pain and many more can testify that they owe their health to it. Its wonderful power is not expressed by the small price at which it sells.

## The New Japanese Emperor

The new Emperor of Japan is the first absolute monarch to ascend all our sovereigns to adventure far beyond the Eastern seas. The first and the only one who ever sat upon the throne of the Mikado with the first-hand knowledge of the life and misadventures of his throne. This new monarch, reaching out beyond the Asian continent, The Emperor is the first really democratic sovereign on the time-hallowed throne.—Adachi Kinoshita in "The Outlook."

## Could Not Sleep

Heart and Nerves Were So Bad

Mr. Geo. Meek, Winslow, Ont., writes:—"I suffered with my heart and nerves and could not sleep at night for weeks. I was very nervous and kept at my work somehow, until I began to have dizzy spells which got so bad I could not go to my work. I was afraid to go out any place, for very often I would stagger on my feet, and everything in front of me would turn black and fall away. While I was home sick a friend told me to take

I got four boxes and by the time I had used them the pains and noises in my head ceased and I was able to get a good night's rest. Although I was six years old, I have never had a troubled with that complaint again."

Price 5c, a box at all druggists or mailed direct on receipt of price by The F. J. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto Ont.

The city of New York has brought suit to recover damages from the owner of a truck which ran into a tree on the Grand Concourse in the Bronx, thus rendering the tree unfit to adorn."

The Glasgow Herald says some men marry poor girls to settle down, other men marry rich girls to settle up.

Some men are too intellectual to be intelligent.

**MURINE** Keeps EYES Clear, Bright and Beautiful  
See How It Clears Away the Clouds



# The Peace River Country, Now Attracting Attention, Is The Last Great West

Wheat from Peace River won premier honors in hard, red, spring wheat at the recent International Exposition at Chicago, and the victory again focussed Canadian eyes on that region. Notwithstanding the fact that the possibilities of the western prairies were themselves scouted in earlier days, to the latter conclusion of the reports, a similar inclination has been apparent in Peace River. The doubters, however, must now perform hold their peace or add their voices to the acclaim of that country as the "last great West." But even that description must be subject to reservation. For who knows but that with the march of science and invention a still more remote field may not remain to be conquered and the limit line of wheat pushed nearer the Arctic wastes.

The people of the Peace River call their country "The Empire of the North" and no power or more justifiable than was ever bestowed on a pioneer land. Once the world has fully grasped what it includes, more settlers will find their way to this splendid tract and the movement will be hastened when better railway facilities are provided. Meantime, the first step towards increasing the outside world with the attractions and potentialities of the Peace River Valley is for Canadians in other parts of the Dominion to make themselves familiar with these.

Romance saturates the story of the Peace River district. To read of it liberates deep impulses. One wants to see it, and breathe its bracing air and touch its fertile earth, to taste the life of those who live on so favored a frontier of civilization. It is, as a writer of a recent article says, a "very veritable empire." And it is Canada's. The future of the region is assured. One day it will be thickly settled, with fine cities dotting the cultivated expanses of farmland. But the people of Canada as a whole and the people of Eastern Canada especially must learn of its present needs and its future promise before that dream can be realized.

The immediate needs of the country are adequate transportation facilities and more settlers. Then more people will go there. No searcher for a faraway career under splendid conditions, can resist its call. Perhaps it is the last great west in the land of peace in name and nature—its advance to prosperity and greatness cannot be prevented.

## Profitable Wheat Crop

Coronet Wheat Brings Good Returns to the Grower

T. A. Bain, a soldier settler in the Homestead district, north of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, seeded 12 acres to Garnet wheat in the spring of 1926. This field yielded 61 bushels to the acre, a total of 732 bushels of No. 1 Northern, which he sold at 11¢. It came from the threshing at 42¢ bushel, netting a total of \$123.36. The wheat was grown under normal conditions. The remainder of Mr. Bain's wheat crop, which was of the Ruby variety, yielded over 50 bushels to the acre.

Garnet wheat is a recent discovery by the Canadian Government Central Experimental Farm at Ottawa, and its outstanding points over Marquis wheat, also a discovery at the same farm, now the principal spring wheat grown in North America. It matures from seven to ten days earlier; it stands dry weather better; it stands excessive moisture better; it is more immune from rust and it will, it is expected, extend the wheat line 75 to 100 miles further west and open a new wheat field 800 miles from coast to west—an area of 40,000,000 acres.

## Protecting Waraw Banks

Poland awoke on the first business day of the New Year to find 29 of its banks closed by government order because they lacked the required paid in capital of 1,000,000 zlotys—\$10,000,000. The provision as to the exact amount of paid in capital is part of the Finance Minister's campaign against "mushroom" banks.

"Doesn't your wife miss you on evenings like this one?" asked one jolly good fellow of the other as they rolled homeward after the festivities. "Well," replied the other, "not often. She can't throw pretty straight for a woman."

Mrs. Carstairs—"And this is my husband's den."

Mrs. Ruper—"How interesting! What's his hobby—hugs or plans?"

A resolution man is often found to be remarkably shy on resolutions.

W. N. U. 1662

## New Zealand Repeats Order

Second Shipment of Lacing Wire Sent From British Columbia

Five thousand lacing wire from the Okanagan country were shipped to New Zealand recently on the steamship Aorangi.

In New Zealand the larvae of the lacewing fly is used to control the aphids, or green fly, most destructive tree pest known to the islands.

Several unsuccessful attempts were made to import lacewings into New Zealand before British Columbia was called on to send a shipment last year as a sort of experiment. On the previous occasion due to faulty packing the flies died before reaching New Zealand, but the British Columbia flies were apparently none the worse for the sea voyage and as soon as they were liberated in New Zealand they promptly proceeded to annihilate the hosts of the aphid. Their good work led to orders for more of them this year.

## Leithbridge Irrigation District

Steady Colonization Program Results in Rapid Settlement

Eleven cars of settlers and effects moved from Foremost to Turin in the Leithbridge Northern Irrigation District, on December 6th. They were well supplied with livestock, equipment and household effects. This movement into the big irrigation area north of Leithbridge is only an outstanding feature of a steady colonization program that has been actively under way for some time. Since August, 1925, 325 families have been placed on Leithbridge Northern farms and in practically every case they are happy and prospering.

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## Canada Imports More Shoes

And Exports for Last Year Show Small Decrease

Canada imported \$242,776 worth of footwear (exclusive of rubber) in November, 1926, as compared with \$286,294 in October and \$177,000 for November, 1925. The total imports for the 12 months ending November, 1926, were \$2,517,623, as compared with the \$2,325,472 for the corresponding period the year before.

The total exports of Canadian boots and shoes in November, 1926, were \$31,924 in October, \$46,245 in November, 1925. The total exports for the past 12 months were \$276,276, as compared with \$319,563 for the previous 12 months.

United States sold Canada the most footwear in December, and also was this country's best customer. Canada imported \$125,715 worth of footwear (exclusive of rubber) from the United States, and sold that country \$26,553. The United Kingdom sold Canada \$18,525 worth, and bought \$5,961 worth from this country. New Zealand was the third best customer, buying \$5,801 worth.

## Washington Settlers' Success

Finds Western Canada Offers Good Opportunities for the Worker

Million years ago Ernest Munsterman came from Colfax, Washington, U.S.A., and filed on 160 acres of homestead land at Rossmore, Alberta. He then had only \$150. How successful he has been in Canada is indicated by the fact that he now owns 700 acres, 650 of which are under cultivation and has a good home, capacious farm buildings and a full line of equipment. He values his property at \$35,000. Mr. Munsterman, in a letter sent recently to the Edmonton, Alberta, Board of Trade, states that he would advise anyone to settle on a farm in Alberta, where land is cheap and fertile, the climate healthful, the educational advantages good and taxes low. He gives as the essential to success "to dig in and work hard."

## English People Are Eating More Oranges

Several Reasons Given for Rapidly Increasing Demand

Fruiters all over England report an increasing demand for oranges. It is estimated that more than 2,000,000,000 oranges were eaten last year, and this total will probably be exceeded this year. Some of the reasons which are given for the increased demand for oranges are: They are good for the complexion. They are of benefit in cases of sore throat. They help to cure influenza. They soothe the nerves. They cure insomnia.

## Sweepstakes at Fox Shows

The grand sweepstakes championship of the Fox Show, in conjunction with the Winter Fair at Vancouver, was awarded to the All-Star Fox Ranch, of Winnipeg, as well as the grand championship in various classes. Honors also went to Nedding Hat, Alberta and Summerdale, P.E.I.

If you were living in Russia there would be no Christmas, because the Bolsheviks don't believe in Christianity.

It doesn't matter what planet a man is born upon so long as he is able to keep on the earth.



## Teaching Old Sailors New Tricks

Sailors pride themselves in being handy with ropes. It's all in their day's work. When Guy Wendick, manager of the Calgary Stampede, stepped aboard the Canadian Pacific Empress of Scotland at New York recently and began to twirl his lasso, the sailors learned a few new tricks. The photo above was taken just before the Empress of Scotland sailed from New York, December 2, on her round-the-world cruise. Guy Wendick is the tall man in the centre of the group, while the fat and jolly sailor at his right is Albert Gilbert who does a beard and officiates as "Nipper" when the Empress of Scotland crosses the "line" the Equator, during her world tour.

## Declares London Fog Has Lost Individuality

Not as Thick and Has Different Taste Say Old Timers

London's fog has lost its individuality and some of its taste. Time, or something, seems to have worn the edges clear off of it.

The same old streets wind about in the same old way, but many of them have been widened. This may have something to do with the changing fog, which is not so impenetrable as formerly, but the scientists disagree about the vapors transformation and its causes. As any rain, the wide streets are now more easily navigated even when a fog is at its height.

And the old timers are quite positive that the fog today tastes very much different to that served in the days of Victoria.

## Protection For England

"Watchers of Sky" Will Report Movements of Hostile Aircraft

Like the "Infinite men" of old days, England now has a force known as "Watchers of the Sky" that will rally immediately in defense of the country at the first appearance of an unexpected foe. This is the latest scheme to protect England against enemy aircraft raids.

Under the system established by Major-General E. B. Ashmore, in command of the Territorial Army Air Defence Force, the country is divided into sections, the southern counties which are more accessible, and, therefore, more liable to air attack, is divided into zones. Detached about it are detached posts, which are to telephone to the company centre the movements of all aircraft in their area.

It is the aim of the system that no hostile aircraft be allowed to move over any part of the country without its movements instantly being known at the headquarters of Air Defence, which can take action to meet the situation.

## Honors For Herman Trelle

Granted Honorarium of \$500 From Alberta Department of Agriculture

Special honor have been paid to Herman Trelle, winner of the sweepstakes in both wheat and oats at the Chicago International Show this year. The Alberta Department of Agriculture has granted him an honorarium of \$500, this being in line with the policy of the Department in honoring those who win championships for this province at the International. J. H. Hill, of Lloydminster, was given \$100 for securing first prize at Chicago for field peas.

## Wrong Way to Forgive

"There is an ugly kind of forgiveness in the world," once wrote Henry Ward Beecher to a friend, "a kind of hedgehog forgiveness, shot out like quills from an unrepentant tongue. Men take one being in line with their him with dry denials, burn his faults into him, and when they have scathed and scorched him sufficiently they magnanimously forgive him."

Occasionally a man climbs so high that he roasts above everybody else—then he begins to get lonesome.

# Movement To Interest The Better Educated Youth Of Britain In Canadian Agriculture

## Wheat Production Cost

Manitoba Farmers Shown to be Better Situated Than Neighbors to the South

The net cost of producing an acre of wheat in Manitoba in 1925 was \$10.03, as compared with \$10.78 in the States of North Dakota and Minnesota, and the Manitoba acre produced 12.3 bushels of wheat, while that across the border yielded only 10.93 bushels, the cost per bushel of wheat being 81 cents in Manitoba and \$1.29 in North Dakota and Minnesota, according to Professor H. C. Grant, of the Economics Department of the Manitoba Agricultural College, addressing the Winnipeg Board of Trade. These costs do not include the cost of land," he added. "If interest for money invested in land were considered the Manitoba farmer would be still better off than his neighbor across the border, for the charges in this connection are about \$1.00 per acre, lower than in the States to the south."

## Chinese Are Beardless

Has no Use for Razor Only for Hair Cutting

If one in ten of China's 400,000,000 population spent ten minutes a day shaving the aggregate time consumed would represent in round numbers 750 years per shave.

But the Chinese wastes no time in shaving his face. He is a beardless individual and the only use he has for a razor is in the process of hair cutting. Shears or clippers will do, and one of the common sights in any Chinese city street is a itinerant barber with a razor, resembling a diminutive butcher's cleaver, engaged in reducing a coolie's head to the semblance of a billiard ball. The rest of the paraphernalia consists of a pan or bucket, a wooden stool and a towel.

Soap or lather has no place in the operation, but the customer comes forth looking as though he had been sandpapered and polished.

## Might Have Answered Purpose

Scotchman Thought Nephew's Choice of Wife Was Illogical

A young Scotchman married an English girl. Some time afterwards he paid a visit to a bachelor uncle in Scotland.

"Well," said the uncle, "I hear you have taken a wife, Sandy."

"Yes, uncle, so I have."

"What can she do?" Can she knit?

"Does she mend your clothes?"

"No," answered Sandy to all these questions; "she does nothing like that."

"Humph," commented the uncle.

"Well, does she cook, then?" he asked, after a few moments. "And can she make porridge?"

"No, uncle," the young man explained; "but you should hear her sing, she has the most beautiful voice, you ever heard."

"Aye," replied the old man, "But, man, could ye no hae gotten a canary?"

## Canadian Apple Exports

Will Exceed by Fifty Per Cent Shipments of Last Year

It is estimated that exports of apples from Canada will this year exceed by fifty per cent those of last year. The export of apples from Canada in the last fiscal year ended March 31, 1926, amounted to 1,589,493 barrels worth \$4,250,185. The bulk of the exports go to the British Isles which last year took 1,290,056 barrels worth \$5,743,095. Other heavy purchasers are the United States, New Zealand, Sweden, Newfoundland, China, Hong Kong and Ceylon. The principal apple growing provinces in Canada are Nova Scotia, Ontario and British Columbia, though New Brunswick and Quebec grow apples and several other fruits such as pears and plums, in commercial quantities.

## Doing Your Best

Better spend your time doing the little hindrances within your reach than in dreaming of the great benefactions that are beyond your power. David dreamed of a beautiful temple, but when he could not build it, he did not neglect the lowly task of gathering the material for another in use in building.

## Immunes for Three Years

A British cattle herd, vaccinated in 1923 with the anti-tuberculosis vaccine made by the president of the British Tuberculosis Society, has remained free of disease, though exposed to the same degree of infection as the neighboring unvaccinated herds which contracted tuberculosis.

The visit to Canada of forty students of Oxford University and Wye Agricultural College, Kent, went further to prove that Canada has only to be seen by young men of such intelligence and training for her opportunity to be immediately appreciated and her lure irresistibly felt. These young men were brought out from England by the Department of Colonization and Development of the Canadian Pacific Railway to afford them opportunity of gaining first-hand impressions of Western Canada through actual labor in the harvest fields of Saskatchewan, and from the standpoint of future Canadian Development at the hands of Britishers of this class of the British Empire. They were probably a more fruitful step was never taken. Each returned to his home in various parts of the British Isles enthusiastic over Canadian agricultural possibility and intent on broad-casting his impressions.

These young men, specially trained, were in a peculiar position to appreciate Canada's openings in farm careers, and for their reason their uniform enthusiasm was the more gratifying. Thus, too, the party returned to the homeland depleted by none few who had succeeded in the lure of the Western plains and remained there permanently. At least a dozen more voiced a determination to return after the completion of their college course, a substantial proportion in view of the fact that half of the party was assured of positions in the Imperial Agricultural Service. Without a doubt Canada has in these young men the finest of missionaries of her agricultural cause, from the dissemination of whose testimony great benefit is to be expected, especially in the hope which is expressed that it may be possible to make visits of British agricultural students to the Western harvest fields annual events.

It is striking to note, at the present time, the various endeavors which are being made to interest the better educated youth of the British Isles in Canadian agriculture and to aid him intelligently to successful farm establishment. This, it is recognized, is to the mutual aid of Canada, and the British Empire. It is, it is felt, to be the British Isles, it is difficult to launch such youths upon promising careers, whilst Canada has urgent need of their culture and training. From the haphazard movement of such young men in the past, Canada has learnt a good deal, and it is upon this knowledge that the various schemes of assistance are based.

The Canadian Pacific Railway has been very much to the fore in this matter and certain commendable cooperation with Macdonald Agricultural College the scheme for the movement of secondary school boys from the British Isles, their education at the agricultural colleges, placement upon farms for training, and continual supervision up to the point of actual farm establishment effected under the auspices of the committee. The inaugural year of the scheme has been responsible for setting thirty-five English secondary school boys in the path leading to successful farm careers, and it is expected that a further hundred, another party of fifty boys in it, is expected, be recruited in the spring, and thereafter the movement is expected to steadily gather momentum to the mutual benefit of Canada and the Motherland.

## Will Utilize Garbage

German Engineer Devises Method to Manufacture Useful Products

Cotton or artificial silk may be manufactured from the garbage of great cities. It is claimed, under a method evolved by Kurt Gerson, a Berlin engineer. It is done, he says, by sifting and subjecting all the cells ingredients to a special treatment. By distilling the remaining refuse, such as potato peelings and pieces of wood, he claims to produce turpentine, charcoal and acetic acid. A large plant is being constructed here under his specifications.

Seller visited the Widow Rostek every evening and had tea with her. "Why don't you marry her?" asked a friend.

"I have often thought about it," said Seller, "but where should I spend my evenings then?"

"You only have five of those spoons, Mrs. Tugli!"

"Yes, I got them with coupons, and my husband died before we had enough for a full dozen."

Willie—"You promised me a raise if I was satisfactory."

Employer—"But you're not. No man is satisfactory who reminds me of a promise."





## RAILWAY MEN ARE DEMANDING INCREASED PAY

Montreal.—Wage negotiations involving more than 50,000 men and wage demands ranging from 19 to 25 cents an hour, confront Canadian railway men in the opening weeks of this year. One parley is proceeding, another dispute is the subject of a board of conciliation proceedings and another negotiation will follow in the course of the week.

Negotiations opened recently in the case of 35,000 maintenance-of-way men on Canadian lines, for an increase of 10 cents an hour.

Three representatives of the men are meeting the wage committee of the Railway Association of Canada on this matter and conciliatory conditions are also the subject of discussion.

Other workers involved include: 25,000 rail shovellers employed on all Canadian lines, asking an increase of ten cents an hour.

15,000 Canadian National Railway workers, office staffs, freight shunters, employees, etc., seeking a ten per cent increase for hourly rated men and \$20 monthly rated men.

6,000 railway and steamship clerks employed by the Canadian Pacific Railway, requesting wage increases and changes in working conditions. Their request now is before a board of conciliation.

800 Canadian National Railway sleeping, dining and parlor car service employees, requesting a wage increase of approximately 12 per cent.

The pressing for wage increases by the various classes of railway employees follows the compromise on wages Canadian National Railway with conductors and trainmen which averted a strike.

In a statement then issued, the railway expressed the realization that the wage concessions then made might make inevitable consideration of requests of other classes for increases.

## Welcomes Investigation

Hon. Chas. A. Dunning Issues Statement on Cancellation of Vancouver Hotel Contract

Ottawa.—Hon. Charles A. Dunning, Minister of Railways and Canals, welcomes a parliamentary investigation into the reason for cancelling the contract for erecting a \$1,000,000 Canadian National Railway hotel in Vancouver. The contract was authorized by the late government and was later cancelled by the present administration. Statements made in Vancouver by Mayor L. D. Taylor, claiming the minister personally for the cancellation of the contract, have led to an exchange of telegrams. The minister issued the following statement regarding the hotel contract cancellation:

"I will welcome parliamentary investigation of the reason for cancelling the Vancouver hotel contract authorized by the late government, and I will be glad to take the responsibility, as minister of railways, for recommending such cancellation to the government.

"Regarding the future, the president and board of directors of the railway company have not yet recommended provision for construction of a hotel in Vancouver in 1927.

"The majority's indication of unworthiness of a contract is scarcely creditable on the part of the chief executive of a great city and is unworthy of an answer."

## Liquor Mystery

Victoria, B.C.—Detectives are attempting to solve, on behalf of the federal customs authorities and the British Columbia coast, the mystery of the disappearance of a portion of the liquor cargo of the schooner *Chris Modler*, which has been held in port here for nearly a month on recommendation of the customs commission which investigated conditions on the British Columbia coast last month, according to a story published by the *Victoria Times*.

## To Meet at Winnipeg

Winnipeg.—The British Medical Association will hold its 1926 convention in Winnipeg, according to official notification received here. Selection of the Manitoba capital for this important gathering marks the third time that the organization has held its convention outside of the British Isles.

## Was Pirated on Great Lakes

Minneapolis.—Captain David H. Ross, pirate and first mate of the only vessel that ever ravaged the Great Lakes, who 2 years ago fled from Detroit, with a price on his head, is dead at his home here.

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## Will Make Survey Before Choosing Port

Haber Expert to Examine Both Outlets for Bay Line

Ottawa.—With five and a half million cubic yards of material to move from the channel in Nelson Harbor to an unknown sea bottom and a general lack of knowledge about the harbor, Frederick Palmer, the British expert called in by the government to advise on the Hudson's Bay Railway project, is not expected to make a report on the matter until he has made a personal survey. Mr. Palmer has left for England, but will return in July when the Hudson's Bay Railway is more accessible and will then go North to conduct his investigation.

Mr. Palmer has made a brief but thorough study of the reports and documentary evidence on the project. Officials of the railway department have been queried in a way they have never been questioned before. Mr. Palmer was given facts, and he sought them, knowing by his long experience what facts he needed. Railway department men declare he knows his job and has a thorough-going manner of making his inquiries.

The fact that Mr. Palmer cannot make his report before next fall at the earliest will not delay his work, it is said. There is much to be done on the railway section already constructed, much rehabilitation of the road to be effected. The government intends to carry the project to its logical conclusion, but will not be stampeded in rushing the work; only to find that it has taken the wrong route, built the port in the wrong place, made the wrong provisions for the ships that will come. It will be sure it is right, then go ahead.

## Radio Telephone

Service Is Ready

Calder Over Atlantic Phone Uses Mechanism Worth Millions

London.—Proof positive that everything is in readiness for the opening of trans-oceanic telephone service between London and New York, was provided by the announcement that already the London telephone operators who will be employed to make the connections between London and New York have themselves familiarized themselves with the names of all New York telephone exchanges.

Mr. Shaugnessy, the Assistant Engineer-in-Chief at the General Post Office who is in charge of British wireless services, has had several conversations with New York, all of which were eminently satisfactory. The voice of the other end, he said, "was as clear as a bell," in fact, according to him those talking from New York never the seem to London might have been in the next room instead of 3,000 miles away.

Mr. Shaugnessy called attention to the fact that since only one trans-Atlantic telephone conversation can go on at a time, the system of person speaking will be using exclusively for himself or herself something like \$5,000,000 worth of complicated telephone mechanism and equipment.

## Palace Air Ship

New Air Line Between Spain and South America to be Palatial

London.—A hotel of the air, that will provide every luxury available at the finest hostilities of the world, for persons travelling between Spain and South America is now building at Friedrichshafen, according to a despatch from the Geneva correspondent of the *Daily Express*.

The new air monster will be a delightful capable of carrying 100 passengers, luggage, crew and mails. It will be finished in September and will make a number of European trips before being put into the trans-Atlantic service.

## Wheat Pool Official Weds

Regina, Sask.—Archibald J. MacPhail, president of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool and the inter-provincial selling agency for the western Canadian wheat pools, and Miss Marion Grenfell Dault, Regina, were married recently at Springfield, Mass. Mrs. MacPhail was secretary to Mr. MacPhail, when he was holding the position of secretary-treasurer of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association.

Presentation to Lt.-Gov. Cockshutt

Toronto.—Lieutenant Governor Harvey Cockshutt, of Ontario, at government house was the recipient of a valuable piece of gold plate, the gift of a number of Toronto's prominent citizens. Sir William Mulock, chief justice of Ontario, made the presentation and referred in a brief address to the high esteem in which his honor was held by the citizens of Toronto generally.

## French Plans For Atlantic Flight Fail

Funds Needed and Completed Plans Unsatisfactory in Tests

Paris.—France is losing ground in preparation for the Paris-New York non-stop flight due to the financial difficulties facing some of the builders and the little success of certain models tested by others.

The *Glenn Curtiss* hydroplane built at St. Nazaire and tried throughout the summer, has been found too slow to make the Atlantic crossing because of excessive weight. The *de Monge* single-wing flying cabin which *Bessant* hoped to use next summer was never completed due to the builder's failure to obtain funds.

It is now reported that the company which was building an aeroplane for *Tamerson* has failed and the constructors are looking around for money to complete a trans-Atlantic plane and to continue to manufacture other planes. This company made *World's* speed record of 433 kilometers an hour.

Whatever may be the result of the campaign, it now appears that the French prospects of winning the Paris-New York prize for 1927 are very slim although there seems no immediate danger of another country beating them.

## SITUATION IN CHINA ASSUMES GRAVE ASPECT

Shanghai.—White foreigners endangered as a result of anti-foreign agitation number more than 1,000 in Hankow and the neighboring city of Wuchang, headquarters of the Cantonese government.

The little foreign colony, 585 miles from the mouth of the Yangtze, is in the midst of a hostile Chinese population of more than 1,500,000, influenced by the speeches of radical leaders who have detailed alleged wrongs from which the Chinese have suffered at the hands of British and other foreigners, but more particularly the British. Suspicion was expressed here that the Cantonese government leaders were aware of the attacks contemplated upon the British concession before they took place—the suspicion being strengthened by the allowance which Chinese troops went to the aid of the British when the concession was attacked. No real rioting had been proceeding for four hours on that day did the Cantonese troops appear.

The Cantonese government has issued many declarations of its intention to abolish all foreign concessions in China and to end the asserted "imperialism" of Great Britain, United States and other foreign nations. London.—All missionaries have been ordered to quit their stations in the interior of China, a Peking dispatch to *The Daily Mail* states.

Reports of anti-Christian risings in the Yangtze region and Szechwan are being received daily, the correspondents add. Missionaries have been maltreated, the women assaulted and the mission stations looted.

On Funds for 1927 Century

London.—The Commercial Travellers' Benevolent Institution has just received news of the death of one of its annualists. This woman was on the funds for half a century. Her late husband had subscribed \$16 in 1876. She benefited from the institution to the extent of about \$7,000.

Killed in Avalanche

Moscow.—An avalanche in the Khasky district of Siberia has killed 22 miners. The great mass of snow and ice completely engulfed a number of miners' workings.



Scottish Lassies for Canadian Homes

This cheery group of young women is only a part of the large number of domestics that have been brought to Canada this year by the Salvation Army. The Canadian Pacific liner "Montclair" carried this happy party across the water recently. They are now located at various coaling stations and many will doubtless find permanent homes here, not a few being the wives of some Canadian young men. Some of these young women came from Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Ayr, but the majority of them are from Glasgow and district. The Salvation Army have sent 600 girls to Canada this year in accordance with an agreement with the Canadian Government.

## OPPOSITION OF U. S. PRESIDENT TO LARGER NAVY

Washington.—President Coolidge has sought to quiet the issue of "big navy" in the House with a warning that budget estimates for the department for the next fiscal year must not be over-stopped.

Intervening at a time when sentiment in the House favorable to the construction, was growing, the President, in a letter to Representative French, Republican, Idaho, in charge of the naval supply bill, declared the budget "represents my best judgment and that I feel it my duty to defend it and support it."

Accepting the warning as a challenge, Representative Burton, Republican, Illinois, a member of the naval committee and an advocate of a larger navy, told the House that "when the President is wrong I refuse to follow him, and he is wrong in this instance."

Several sections of the measure, among them those to maintain the ships' personnel at its present strength, were approved recently, but under agreement the more controversial provisions, including those relating to cutters, were held over.

## Uniformity of Butter Grading

Dairymen Meet at Saskatoon to Discuss Question

Saskatoon.—Improvement of the quality of butter for the British market, to meet competition, not only from the British dominions, but also from the European countries of Europe, such as Denmark, Holland and Latvia, was the subject of the discussion at the conference of dairy operators and government officials here.

Uniformity of cream and butter grading, definite action in connection with any changes was deferred until the meeting of the Western Canada Dairy convention at Edmonton on February 5, 19, 11 and 12, which producers and manufacturers of the four western provinces will meet. Delegates from Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan were present at the meeting.

## Taking Census of Russia

Soviet Officials Report 145,000,000 But Returns are Incomplete

Riga, Latvia.—Russia's population at present numbers 145,000,000, according to incomplete returns which Commissar Goshinsky has received from 100,000 Soviet officials who are trying to gather complete statistics regarding the inhabitants of the Union of Soviet Republics.

Reports to date, N. Goshinsky says, show literacy is increasing in Russia instead of decreasing, and the census takers say the population regards them as agents of the devil, working against Christ, whom they believe is preparing to end the world.

## Will Visit Canada

London.—Premier J. G. Coates of New Zealand, who came here for the Imperial Conference, was a passenger on the Aquitania sailing Jan. 4 for New York. Later he will go to Montreal and thence to Vancouver.

He expects to reach New Zealand in time to welcome the Duke and Duchess of York, who have left for their trip to the Antipodes on H.M.S. *Rusova*.

## Testing Out Oil Fields

Edmonton.—Twelve oil companies are either drilling or have sites located in the Ribstone district, near the border of Alberta and Saskatchewan. The present year will see this oil field thoroughly tested.

## Heavy Hail Losses Paid

Saskatchewan Farmers Receive \$1,299,000 in Insurance During Past Year

Regina.—Payment of hail losses during 1926 to 5,200 farmers in Saskatchewan by the Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance Association amounted to \$1,299,000, states J. J. Lamb, secretary-treasurer.

The total payment for hail losses for the whole of 1926 will be completed at the end of the fiscal year, January 31, 1927, and submitted to the annual meeting of the directors January 12 in the association's office in Regina. The annual convention will be held March 1, in Prince Albert, and the agenda for the convention will be drawn up at the meeting of the directors.

The three retiring directors of the association are: J. J. Lamb, Regina; R. E. Van Patten, Leduc; and J. R. Near, Pitham.

Despite the doubling of the figures of 1925 in comparison with claims and payments during 1925, Mr. Lamb stated, the reserve fund of the association would not be depleted in any way. He stated that while the amount was unknown yet an addition to the reserve would be made. It is expected the total payment on hail losses during 1926 will amount to approximately \$1,275,000. There are still 29 claims pending and ownership of the policies and to whom payment should be made must be decided before checks are issued in the next month. All this work is likely to be completed before January 31.

## Find Interesting Documents

Attempts to Save Life of Late Czar Disclosed in Records

Leningrad.—Stored away in the winter palace, telegraphic records of attempts made to save the lives of the late Czar of Russia and his family during the days preceding their murder were found by research workers today.

Three hundred messages that passed between members of the Kerenky regime, all of them relating to protection of the exiled Imperial family, were among the documents found. Coded telegrams that referred to Nicholas Lenin have yet to be deciphered.

## Guard Valuable Paintings

London.—Strong police forces are patrolling the galleries of the Royal Academy day and night, protecting French masterpieces valued at \$10,000,000 (about \$20,000,000) which have been collected from all parts of the world for a temporary exhibition. Never has the famous academy housed anything so precious.

## MANY APPLY FOR CHANGES IN CUSTOMS TARIFF

Ottawa.—Applications for changes in the customs tariff continue to accumulate in the office of the tariff advisory board.

The number of investigations now under way is forty, an increase of four in the last few weeks. The board will meet on January 15 to continue several of these, and further sessions are expected to take place before the close of the month. There is increasing evidence that organizations of business men and others are taking keen interest in the work of the board and are preparing to use the facilities it offers to get their point of view before those whose responsibility it is to decide on questions of tariff policy.

Word has been received that the Canadian Council of Agriculture is submitting a memorandum on the application for an increase in duty on corn and cane syrups. The council, also, intervened in the application for increase in duties on fruits and vegetables.

Of the forty applications now before the board one-half are for tariff increases and the other for decreases. The applications cover a wide range of commodities.

There are six cases relating to textiles, which are of vital interest to manufacturers and importers of garments and gabardines, cottons, woolen goods, and similar goods; four of the applications relate to machinery of various kinds such as pumps and pump parts, water wheel governors, small hand sprayers, electric and power plants and so forth; three applications refer to the iron and steel industry; three to chemicals, two to wood products; two to food products; two to the pulp and paper industry; and two to ropes and twines; while there are other problems referred to the board respecting coal and coke, magazines, oil, player piano music, linens, furniture, objects of art, livestock and leather products.

## HOW EX-SOLDIERS SUCCEED UNDER SETTLEMENT PLAN

Ottawa.—More than 20,000 ex-soldiers have benefited under the Soldier Settlement legislation of 1917 and 1919. Over 21,000 have received direct financial assistance and 4,500 have been given free grant of Dominion lands without financial aid.

In a survey covering nearly 9 years of operation, Major E. J. Ashton, commissioner of the Soldier Settlement Board of Canada, gives the proportions of successes and failures among the soldiers who took up land. "During 1925-26," stated the commissioner, "soldier settlers paid well on to \$1,600,000 dollars into the Dominion treasury, a sum which, in addition to covering all administrative costs, more than suffices to provide the funds used during the year for general colonization purposes including advances under the 3,000 British family scheme.

"There were 17,231 settlers with payment claims in 1925-1926. Of these \$429 met their payment in full, 6,750 made part payments and 4,541 made pre-payments. As at November 30 last, 918 had repaid their loans; of these 518 were still farming and 400 had sold their farms. Among those who have repaid their loans are men whose success in the difficult post-war years has been amazing. Some have started with little and are today rated by their bankers as worth \$5,000 to \$20,000, all made from the land. They are to be met in the future by the cases which have passed from out of our jurisdiction and are well re-established and are today a credit to the communities in which they live."

## Renown Sails With Royal Passengers

Duke and Duchess of York Start on Long Trip

Portsmouth, England.—The Duke and Duchess of York, boarding the battle cruiser *Renown*, on which the Prince of Wales made his great tour some years ago, have started on their 24,000-mile globe-circling voyage designed to tighten the bonds between the Mother Country and the Dominions of New Zealand and Australia.

The Prince of Wales, Prince Henry and Prince George accompanied the Royal voyagers to Portsmouth. Premier Baldwin and other Government officials, as well as the Earl and Countess of Strathmore, parents of the Duke, also were at the station. The King and Queen, who, as the Duke and Duchess of York, made the same trip a quarter of a century ago, affectionately bled the travellers goodbye and appeared just as excited at the parting as the Duke and Duchess themselves.

## Liabilities Are Smaller

But Commercial Failures in Canada Show Slight Increase

Toronto.—A small increase in the number of commercial failures, but a considerable decrease in liabilities, is shown by the report of failures for 1926, compiled by R. G. Dan's Company.

With a total of 21,773 last year's defaults exceed by a little more than 2 per cent those for 1925, whereas an indebtedness estimated at \$409,232,278 for the 12 months just ended is nearly 5 per cent below the amount for the immediately preceding year. The number of insolventcies is the largest reported for any year since 1922, but the liabilities are the smallest for all years back to 1920.

## Makes It Easy for Canadians

Washington, D.C.—Following a hearing before the House committee on Immigration and a conference with Senator Johnson and also a conference with Secretary of Labor Davis, representatives of the Canadian Club at Boston, predicted there would be legislation this session to make it easy for Canadians who entered the United States between 1906 and 1925 to become United States citizens.

## Saskatchewan Liquor Board

Regina.—Increasing membership of the Saskatchewan liquor board from one to two, the Saskatchewan government will seek legislative sanction for amending the Liquor act to provide for the administration being under the direction of the board instead of the executive council.

## Girl Inherits \$3 Millions

San Francisco, N.J.—Fifteen-year-old Doris Duke, probably the richest girl of her age in the world, is worth \$3,451,043. It is shown in an accounting of her father, James Buchanan Duke, tobacco magnate.

## Canada's Climate

Is One of Her Outstanding and Most Beneficial Assets

Canada's natural resources have received much publicity both at home and abroad. Her vast virgin soils and wheat fields, her magnificent forest heritage, her great mineral wealth, of which but a few examples have as yet been evolved, her unparalleled fishing and fur producing areas and water powers, her variable and magnificent scenic attractions have all been catalogued and sung. Of her climate nothing has been said, or if reference to it were made it would be a defensive reference. Just why Canada should ever have to apologize for her climate will remain forever a mystery. Because of the continental dimensions of the Dominion, many varieties of temperature and humidity naturally occur. The Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior at Ottawa, which among its many recent tourist publications has included a volume on "Winter in Canada," is authority for the statement that Canada's climate is one of the outstanding and most beneficial assets. This claim is based on a number of essential facts: (1) the proven healthful and bracing qualities of Canada's season; (2) the high percentage of days with sunshine and, in some districts, the remarkable clarity of the air; (3) the consistent regularity and moderation of the precipitation; (4) the variety of seasonal conditions with a regular development between periods of frost and "growing" weather.

It is possible this diversity of climate which causes Canada, as a whole, to occupy such a high place in the tables of vital statistics, and which causes southern Canada to take a similar position in the zone of very high climatic energy. Canada's death rate is only 16.1 per thousand of population, the lowest lowest being New Zealand with 8.7, and the highest Chile with 21.1; this is out of a list of 40 countries of the world, and Canada stands third.

With respect to the zone of climatic energy, Huntington and Cushing, in the Principles of Human Geography, have the following to say: "The climatic energy zone is that in which it is easy to get up in the morning, feel like work, and be eager to begin. People who reside in this zone are likely to live, or to make improvements and carry out reforms. Not that they necessarily have more ideas than others, but their energy enables them to put their ideas into practice. In an unfavorable climate it is also easier to be honest, self-controlled, than in a more enervating one."

A map of the world accompanying the description from which this extract is taken shows that all the more enlightened countries of western Europe are in the zone of climatic energy, and also a considerable portion of southern Canada, which will be of interest to a good many people.

Three chief characteristics are laid down as the basis for deciding as to the ideal climate. The first is that there must be cold, but not cold, winter, as a mental stimulus; and warm, but not hot, summers, as a physical stimulus. The second, that there must be a fairly high humidity except in warm weather, and the third, that there must be frequent changes of weather. It is very curious to observe that no part of the world fairly satisfies all these requirements. In the northern hemisphere, southeastern England, and the neighboring parts of continental Europe come nearest to the ideal, and in the southern hemisphere it is New Zealand. Compared as large as Europe, has many diverse climatic and climatic areas, several of which satisfy most of these interesting claims.

### British Columbia Honey

Record Profit of 43 Per Cent on Capital Invested

British Columbia's honey industry will return the record profit of 43 per cent on the capital invested for 1925, according to figures issued by the Department of Agriculture. Statistics show that the crop will amount to 109,257 pounds, valued at \$397,615, based on 22 cents per pound. To this is added the value of bees wax to the amount of 10,000 pounds, worth \$5,000. Comparing these figures with the estimated value of apiculture equipment, on a basis of \$6,000,000 at \$12,500, the percentage of profit is shown to be 43 per cent, a record for the province.

### Meets Success in the West

R. M. Bacon, of Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, who came from Marian, Iowa, eleven years ago, and took up a quarter section of land, has produced a district, now worth \$500 acres. Since he began in Alberta his wheat crop has averaged 40 to 50 bushels to the acre and his oats 30 to 40 bushels.

When a man says his word is as good as his hand—get his hand, — W. N. U. 1662

## Patriotic Movie Caption Cheered in Germany

"Will Win Next War" Is Received With Applause

"We lost the last war but the next time we shall be victorious," such is the final caption in the patriotic movie, "Our Emden," presented in Berlin for the first time. The actual commander of the Emden and the officers who were with him on the famous cruise take the leading parts in re-enacting one of the most thrilling episodes of the late war. Technically the film is perfect, showing somewhat the tactlessness of the Russians.

One by one the various merchantmen captured by the Emden are shown, and in one scene the Emden is pictured bombarding the petroleum tanker at Madras. Without exaggeration incident follows incident, giving an impression of naked reality.

Finally the decisive combat is shown between the Emden and a superior British ship. Three times the British commander summons the Emden to surrender, but is each time refused. Finally the heroic craft capsizes and sinks. At last comes the handling of a new Emden in Hamburg.

During the first presentation of the new motion picture the crowd remained passive until the final words appeared on the screen, when there was loud applause. The correspondent has been informed that the German foreign office is somewhat worried by the belittled subtitle, but decided it could be better to pass the whole film as it was made.

### The Advantages Of Beekeeping

Canadian Honey Is an Article of Unsurpassed Quality

With an abundance of nectar-secreting flowers in every province, Canada is a good country for the beekeeper. The bulk of Canadian honey is of a surpassed quality and has become a staple article of diet in many homes. Throughout the country there is an increasing number of people who make beekeeping their principal business and thousands who find it a profitable side industry. The successful management of an apiary does not require much time but consists chiefly in knowing what to do and when to do it. With the object of spreading such information the Dominion Department of Agriculture has issued a new bulletin on "Bees and How to Keep Them," which may be obtained free from the Publications Branch of the Department at Ottawa.

The author, C. B. Goodrich, B.S.A., Dominion Apiarist, points out the many advantages which are to be derived from beekeeping on a large or a small scale, gives clearly and concisely, reliable advice to beginners and shows them who are beekeeping how they can profitably be employed or troubled by the adoption of modern methods. There are hundreds of tons of honey to go to waste annually in Canada. This bulletin shows many people how to save a share of it.

### Wintering Bees

Proper Protection of Bees From Winter Cold

One of the chief factors in the building up of the beekeeping industry in Canada is the proper protection of the bees from winter cold. Every winter many colonies die which might have been saved by a little more care and better management. In order that beekeepers throughout the country may have at hand the best available information on this important factor in beekeeping the Dominion Department of Agriculture has just issued a new bulletin on Wintering Bees in Canada.

The long, cold winter in most parts of Canada is not so hard on bees as might be imagined, and in some respects wintering is easier than in a milder climate, because the bees rest more completely during continual cool weather than when there are frequent mild spells when they wear themselves out with useless activity. Free bullethins from the Department of the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, give detailed instructions for the proper wintering of bees, emphasizing the necessity of starting the winter with populous colonies of young bees, an abundance of wintering stores, and an adequate protection against cold and changeable temperatures.

### Efficiency and Economy

Postmaster General New of the United States received a Christmas present from the decks of the department, it being a ball of twice salvaged from parcels brought into the office. It measured 12,295 yards, weighed 22 pounds, was worth, when new, about one dollar, and the salvaging occupied the time of one clerk some weeks, worth about fifty dollars. And they call that economy and efficiency.

What mother likes such a young man is usually what her daughter does not.

## Chinchilla Rabbits

Rearing of Rabbits Can Be Made a Profitable Venture

Chinchilla rabbit breeding has been increasing rapidly in Canada during recent years according to a statement in the latest report of Hon. Mr. Morfin, Minister of Agriculture. They are easy to raise and very profitable and to start breeding them does not call for the investment of large capital. They are comparatively strong, healthy animals, and do not require nearly so much attention as foxes and some other captive breeders. Their fur, which is slightly blue at the base, then ash grey, then pearl grey, merging into white and slightly tipped with black with guard hairs tipped with jet black, is very beautiful and quite popular.

It has been found perfectly practical to keep all except the very young rabbits in an open enclosure. Our cold winter weather results in a richer, thicker and therefore more valuable fur than that from rabbits reared in a milder climate.

Chinchilla rabbits eat almost any kind of vegetable scraps. A daily ration of a cupful of oatmeal or bran, a little hay or grass and a few vegetables, with a little water is all that is necessary.

### British Women Going In For Astronomy

Fifty in Royal Astronomical Society and Seventy in British Society

Among the many vocations taken up by women is astronomy. There are now fifty women members of the Royal Astronomical Society, all of whom are hoped some day of emulating the feats of the first great astronomer, Caroline Herschel, who discovered eight comets.

Many of the young women astronomers of today work hard in all branches of the sciences, and not only lecture but write articles on their studies. Miss Cecilia Payne specialized in Spectroscopy, and, having secured a Fellowship of Harvard, has left for the United States.

Dr. W. H. Stevenson, president of the British Astronomical Association, says there are 70 women astronomers in the membership of his organization. Among them Mrs. Grace Cook has become an authority on meteors. Mrs. Maunders is a recognized authority on solar matters and Miss C. Furness an authority on variable stars.

"One of the most remarkable women today in astronomy," added Dr. Stevenson, "is an American, Dr. Annie Cannon, whose monumental work on stellar spectra is unique."

### Value of Field Crops

The value of the principal field crops of Canada in 1925, according to a preliminary estimate of the Dominion Government, amounts to \$1,955,825,000, in which wheat accounts for \$1,122,673,000; oats, \$155,625,000 and barley \$54,830,000. The value of the wheat crop in the three Prairie Provinces is estimated at \$411,101,000, and the oat crop, \$96,183,000.

"It never pays to look for trouble," remarked the Wise Guy. "Don't let it guess you never have taken a car to a garage man to have one little thing fixed, and then get a bill for two dozen other things he found to fix," retorted the Wise Guy.



### "French Survival" Party Visit Quebec

Here's a typical group of the French-Canadian farmer and settler from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba who recently revisited the province of Quebec for Christmas and New Year's holidays. They are photographed at the Windsor street station, Montreal, where they arrived recently and at which city they were given a hearty welcome by their compatriots in the metropolis of French-Canada. The church, municipality, bar, and labor, and other organizations vied with one another in feeling them and before Christmas had come they had visited a number of places in the province, including Joliette, Nicolet, Three Rivers, Cap de la Madeleine, Quebec, and had renewed friendships and acquaintances, some of whom they had not

## Oldest Senator

The Oldest Senator and the Youngest Member of Parliament

The Canadian Senate has the honor of having as one of its members perhaps the oldest legislator in the world in the person of Hon. George Casimir Desautels, who is now in his 100th year. On the opening day of the present session of the Canadian Parliament, Senator Desautels took his seat as usual, walking without assistance. He was born at St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, on September 25, 1827, and is a nephew of Hon. Louis Joseph Papineau, leader of the Quebec end of the rebellion of 1837. His first public office was that of councillor of St. Hyacinthe, in 1855, and he was mayor of that thriving little city almost continuously for 39 years, from 1868 to 1898. Having been appointed to the Senate in 1907 he has held public office intermittently for 68 years. He is a member of the Privy Council, and is 23 years old and holds the additional distinction of being the youngest man ever elected to the Canadian House of Commons.

The distinction of being the youngest member of the Canadian Federal Parliament goes to Louis M. Auger, of Hawkesbury, Ontario, M.P., for the constituency of Prescott, Ontario. He is 23 years old and holds the additional distinction of being the youngest man ever elected to the Canadian House of Commons.

### The World's Greatest Need

Edison Believes Commonsense Would Solve Many Problems

Thomas A. Edison has given the world many things it needs, and now he says that what the world stands most in need of today is commonsense. The great inventor is about right at that.

The world has too many faddists at large who seek to impose their wills on others, or who seek notoriety by doing normal things in an abnormal way for the purpose of attracting attention to themselves and pandering to their vanity.

With commonsense, tolerance goes hand in hand. Those who do not get their own way about things should be content to fall in line, but they do not refuse, and pose as martyrs to a cause.

If people would just let their heads rule their hearts instead of vice versa, men and women would get along a whole lot better.

### Millions for Roads

The annual report of the Dominion Commission of Highways for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1926, recently tabled in the Canadian House of Commons, shows that 7,015 miles of highways have been constructed in the Dominion under the Canada Highway Act, at a cost of \$48,425,712. The Federal Government made payments to the amount of \$18,129,167 to the different provinces.

### Sail for Many Ports

Forty-three regular steamer lines operate out of the Port of Vancouver, according to the annual report of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. Thirteen sail to Europe; 8 to the Orient; 3 to Australia, New Zealand, Hawaii and Fiji; 7 to the Atlantic coast of Canada and the United States; 9 to Central and South America; and the West Indies, and 1 to California.



### New Wheat Variety

The new wheat, known as "University 222," which has attracted favorable notice in Central Alberta during the past season, will be sold by the organized growers in the Edmonton district, under the name of "Red Hots 222" by special permit from Ottawa. There will be 25,000 bushels available for next spring.

Joyce—"Wasn't it you who told me how silent the motor of the Putt putt six was?"

Car Dealer—"Yes, I believe I did, isn't it?"

Joyce—"Yes, it's been silent for three weeks now."

## Canada's Game Sanctuaries

Are Saving Wild Life of Canadian Rockies Says Major Brewster

Canada's policy of making the national parks also game sanctuaries has saved the wild life of the Canadian Rockies for future generations. In the opinion of Major Fred Brewster, M.C., nature lover, outfitter and guide extraordinary, of Jasper National Park, Alberta, who is in Montreal on his annual visit to the Eastern Canadian and United States cities. As a result of the absolute protection given to wild animals in Jasper National Park, which is Canada's largest national playground, elk and deer are feeding within a stone's throw of the railway yards at Jasper, where railway shunting operations are carried on day and night. Mountain sheep and mountain goats are daily visitors to the outskirts of the town, while black and cinnamon bears make regular visits to the back doors of hotels and other places where they hope to find free meals awaiting them in the garbage cans and boxes.

"There is no danger of mountain sheep or goats vanishing as did the buffalo of the plains," Major Brewster says. "The game is being carefully guarded by the park wardens whose a surprising increase in these animals. We know there are from 10,000 to 15,000 mountain sheep and probably 5,000 to 7,000 mountain goats within the park. Elk or wapiti herds are growing steadily and this fall almost twice as many of these animals came down to the valleys as were there last year."

"Caribou herds are increasing also, though these animals maintain a good distance between themselves and civilization. In the best years, they are as common as numerous and almost as tame as dogs since they realize that they are no longer hunted. The blacks and cinnamon have constituted themselves the town scavengers. The grizzlies, while numerous are not so readily inclined and prefer to remain at a distance from man and all his works. They remain on the higher slopes of the mountains, where they are seen less frequently than the blacks and browns."

### B.C. Districts Are Teeming With Moose

Caribou Herds Seriously Threatened Say Big Game Authorities

Moose are thicker in British Columbia than ever before and they have increased to such an extent in some districts that the caribou herds are threatened, according to big game authorities.

At the beginning of the present century many districts that are now teeming with moose did not even know the species. They were, however, favored by the caribou which were so plentiful that they formed the principal food supply of the Nomad Indians which used to follow the herds just as the prehistoric reindeer men followed the reindeer in Northern Europe.

The caribou and moose, however, do not get along very well together, according to big game men. When the moose move into a region populated by caribou in large numbers the caribou move out. This has been going on over a vast area in northern and central British Columbia during the past two or three years.

"The caribou is too hardy a breed to vanish altogether," said one authority. "The moose and the caribou seem to gain dominance over each other according to cycles. We happen to be passing through a moose cycle now. In ten years an epidemic of some other disturbance may reverse the moose and the caribou will have his day again. In any event, there is no possibility of serious depletion of either species for many generations."

The vagrant or elk, another of the native family, with its danger of being annihilated as a result of ruthless hunting some years ago, but since restrictive measures have been adopted the remaining herds, two on Vancouver Island, one in the Kootenay district and another in Northern British Columbia, have grown to large proportions.

### Manitoba Fox Farmers

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## Canada's Hospitals

Bulletin Giving Report of Census Taken in 1925 Is Interesting

People are, for the most part, seized of the fact that Canada is a land of far-flung borders and immense distances. It is another matter to keep up with the steadily increasing amount of information showing how far the nation has progressed in carrying out the duty of caring for the welfare of its citizens. Canada has one of the most healthful of climates but when accidents or disease occur it is to be combated, theory and practice both suggest that a properly equipped and staffed hospital is a great aid. To ascertain what our equipment was in this regard, the Department of Health took a census of hospitals for 1925, and the results are giving the results. These are set forth in "National Resources," a publication of the interior department.

There are 676 hospitals in Canada, not including those for mental patients or sanatoriums for tuberculosis patients. Of these 676 are public hospitals, 259 private, and 23 Red Cross. As might be expected the public hospitals are by far the largest units. They average a little over 66 beds per hospital; private hospitals average 816 beds each, and Red Cross hospitals 5 beds each.

The report contains a map of Canada showing where each hospital is located and it is interesting to note how these agencies of healing penetrate into our great hinterland. Of equal interest as showing how rapidly the work is growing is a note on the back page to the effect that thirteen hospitals have been opened in 1925 which are not included in the body of the report.

### Ancient Water Clock

Unique Timepiece, 200 Years Old, Presented to Vancouver Museum

A water clock, two hundred years old, a reminder of the age when sundials and hour-glasses provided the most common means of telling the time, has been presented to the Vancouver Museum. It looks like an ordinary clock until its door is open for investigation of the works. The case is marked for 21 hours and is wrought in brass.

The motto: "Time wears away our days, use them with care" is rudely engraved on a brass plate, with the figure of Time as a winged old man with a scythe, and on his brow is a solitary forehead. On the door of the clock is a figure in bronze wearing a royal crown. At the bottom of the clock is a brass tank which was designed to hold the water which dripped from within. A tall brass tube takes the place of the pendulum, and from here the water dripped into a glass which was tilted to draw down a float, which controlled the hands, and so time was marked.

### A Problem For Scientists

Methed to Take Deep Color From Guinness Butter Bought

Guinness' famous butter has become too rich in color, and scientists are trying to conceive methods of taking the yellow out of it. Consumers suspect that the golden hue is due to artificial coloring and have become distrustful.

Charles Kitts, B.A., president of the Guinness Committee of Commerce, says the butter will not be served hereafter to visitors unless they ask for it. "Yet we pay 3 shillings and 4 pence a pound for Guinness butter," he explained. "While the best English butter is sold here at 2 shillings a pound, Guinness butter is yellow simply because our Guinness cow is yellow. She is lined with yellow fat, and this even exudes from her."

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in the season just closed. This makes  
a very favorable showing compared  
with the 1,255 overseas and 215  
coastal vessels of the previous sea-  
son. During the period of open  
navigation over 113,850,000 bushels  
of grain were shipped from the port  
and flour shipments totalled 2,000,  
000 barrels.

Canada scored again at the Chi-  
cago Exposition when the blue rib-  
bon grand championship in the  
Clydesdale stallion division went to  
Forest Favorite, owned by Hangerly  
and Black of Belle Plaine, Saskatch-  
ewan. Last year the University of  
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**Around the Town****Last Week Happenings**

Rev. Morgan attended Dea-  
nery meeting at Innisfail this  
week.

Miss Eva Bonnish has re-  
turned from Alix and accepted  
a position at the Mirror Bakery

Mrs. Tulloch and family in-  
tend leaving in the near future  
for Islay

Mrs. J. Ennis, of Alix, visited  
her daughter, Mrs. A. McNair,  
this week.

Owing to sickness our New  
Year resolution to get to press  
on Wednesday has been shot to

The Misses Annalee, of Cam-  
rose, spent New Years in town.

The B. of L. E. & E. intend to  
hold a big dance here on Janu-  
ary 28th, with Bullivant's or-  
chestra.

Mrs. W. G. Walker entertain-  
ed in honor of her sister, Mrs.  
Drover, this week.

Services in the Union Church  
this week, Alix 3:00; Mirror  
7:30.

Mr. Clark, asst. superintend-  
ent, C.N.R., arrived in town on  
Monday to reside.

A. R. Hopkins accompanied  
by his sister and brother, of  
Edmonton, left on Wednesday for  
Edmonton, in response to word  
received of the serious illness  
of their father.

L. Norton left on Wednesday  
for Calgary in response to a  
message announcing the death  
of his sister-in-law.

Dr. Watson, dentist, will be  
at the Imperial Hotel, Jan. 8th  
to 12th for the practice of his  
profession.

Mrs. McLeod, sr., was taken  
to the Edmonton hospital on  
Saturday for medical treat-  
ment.

New rate on rental of Grand  
is \$20 for 8 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. At-  
ter that \$1.50 per hour. See J.  
Masley for key and rental.

We understand that the sec-  
ond pool hall and another store  
will be opened here in the near  
future.

Taxis, Monday 7 p.m., C.G.I.  
T., Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Trail  
Rangers, Friday, 7 p.m.; Bea-  
vers, Saturday, 10 a.m.

H. J. Snell, Optometrist, will  
be at the W. I. building, Mirror,  
on Friday January 21st, and  
every third Friday of the  
month thereafter.

The annual meeting of the  
Mirror School District, will be  
held in J. G. Russell's office at  
1:30 p.m., on Saturday, Jan. 15,  
for the election of a school trustee,  
and other business. A full  
attendance is requested.

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**Monsters of a Million Years Ago.**

View of "Bad Lands" of Alberta. (Photo)  
The majority of tourists who travel across the open  
prairies on the Canadian Pacific line east of Cal-  
gary, are unaware as they look toward the north  
that there is to be found anything to interest them  
except the prairies and prairie towns. But not many  
miles distant from the railway, where the Red Deer  
river cuts through the prairie, lies a valley known  
as the "Bad Lands." This is a valley beside which  
the Rocky mountains are young—a valley whose  
bottom-lands record that once they were an island  
surrounded by whose shores, millions and millions of years  
ago, lived those walking, creeping, crawling monsters  
known as dinosaurs.

Only with the discovery of the dinosaur skeletons,  
as a result of the numerous expeditions sent into  
the "Bad Lands" of the Red Deer by the Government  
and by museums both in Canada and in the United  
States, has the river valley taken on a wider interest.  
Each season adds not only to the number of collect-  
ors but also to the number of tourists who  
attracted by the picturesque character of the land  
and whose imagination is thrilled with the thought  
of the age-long secrets which the valley is beginning  
to make known.

When and how did these dinosaurs live? What  
the world like during the time when they flour-  
ished? How would this very valley have appeared  
at that time and what other creatures were to be  
found there with them? Such questions naturally  
arise as the dinosaur take on a larger measure of  
reality.

At first one is likely to think of all these extinct  
monsters as merely prehistoric, living hundreds of  
years, of course, before even the first man, but not  
at the same time as our cave-dwelling ancestors,  
whom they may have exterminated for the mastery  
of the earth. The written records on which history  
is based extend back, comparatively speaking, only a  
few centuries even the oldest, those of Egypt and  
Mesopotamia, cover but a tiny portion of the time  
when man lived in savage and barbaric tribes  
as back only one hundred thousand years, and  
the fossil remains are found in strata of that date  
so recent that 12,000 long ago and long been

Drawing of giant dinosaurs of past ages.  
extinct even at that time. In bigness these dinosaurs  
have never been exceeded. The herbivorous group  
were the largest; they browsed on the scrubby vegeta-  
tion and among the ferns and bushes, or stood up  
and grasped trees with their fore-legs while they devoured  
the foliage. Many of these were giraffe-like waders  
whose long fore-limbs and immensely longer necks  
enabled them to take refuge in deeper waters, more  
out of reach of the fierce carnivores of the land. The  
Diplodocus, a herbivorous dinosaur whose skeleton is  
in the Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh, measures eighty-  
seven feet in length, and a still more colossal one  
found later and known as Gigantosaurus measures  
well over one hundred feet.

The carnivorous or flesh-eating groups were not  
so large; they were more active, however, and preyed  
upon the herbivores. Though equipped with frightful  
weapons they were considerably inferior in intelli-  
gence to the modern crocodile or lizard and far below  
the bird or mammal. Of these, Tyrannosaurus seems  
almost "the last word in frightfulness." It reached  
the length of forty-seven feet, and in a standing posi-  
tion the animal was eighteen to twenty feet high as  
granted twelve feet for the largest of small dromeo-  
saurids. The long deep powerful jaws were set with teeth from  
three to six inches long and an inch wide.

To protect them from these flesh-eating dinosaurs,  
many of the herbivorous ones were completely en-  
cased in armor. Such as Ankylosaurus. Plates cov-  
ered the skull, back and hips, and even the belly  
was covered by a pliable mosaic of small bony  
plates. It was further protected by a movable plate  
that could be dropped like a shutter over each eye.

The Geological Survey at Ottawa now has a re-  
markably fine collection of dinosaurian remains  
mounted and on exhibition at the Victoria Museum,  
Ottawa, and are also to be seen at the Royal Ontario  
Museum, Toronto. The field has by no means been  
exhausted. Under miles of prairie land the same  
strata are undoubtedly filled with similar fossils.  
Erosion is rapid, and as the river continues to wear  
its banks away new fossils are exposed. For all time  
to come the Red Deer river will be a classic locality  
for collecting prehistoric treasures.